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Title:

METHOD AND SYSTEM FOR PROVIDING

**VEHICLE-DIRECTED SERVICES** 

## **DECLARATION PURSUANT TO 37 C.F.R. § 1.131**

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Sir:

- I, Edward P. Chrumka, the sole inventor in the above-identified patent application, hereby declare as follows:
  - I. I conceived the invention as described and claimed in the above-identified application prior to September 22, 2000, the filing date of U.S. Provisional Patent Application No. 60/235,142, of which U.S. Patent Publication No. 2002/0090932 (issued to Bhatia et al.) claims the benefit.
  - II. Evidence of such conception was filed as "Exhibit A" on October 3, 2005, accompanying a Declaration pursuant to 37 C.F.R. 1.131.

- III. I exercised due diligence from prior to September 20, 2000 until a subsequent reduction to practice or to the filing of the above-identified application.
- IV. Evidence of such due diligence was filed as "Exhibit B" on October 3, 2005, accompanying the previously mentioned Declaration pursuant to 37 C.F.R.1.131.
- V. In accordance with the "Integrated Launch Plan" outlined in previously filed Exhibit B, I worked diligently and continuously on the invention from prior to September 20, 2000, through November and December of 2000, at least up until the filing date (i.e., January 22, 2001) of U.S. Provisional Patent Application No. 60/263,586, of which my above-identified patent application (i.e., Ser. No. 09/997,761) claims the benefit.

I hereby declare that all statements made herein of my own knowledge are true and that all statements made on information and belief are believed to be true; and further that the statements were made with the knowledge that willful false statements or the like so made are punishable by fine or imprisonment, or both under Section 1001 of Title 18 of the United States Code, and that such false statements may jeopardize the validity of the application or any patent issuing thereon.

Date: 10/31/07

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